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[Despatch Abstract.]

Committees — Backward-class advisory committee — first meeting — Papers Recorded

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FIRKA DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

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Memorandum No.48425 F.D.IV/49-1 dated the 5th November 1949.

Sub:- HARIJAN WELFARE DEPARTMENT -Education - Backward Classes Advisory Committee - Meeting.

Ref:- G.O.Ms.No.969 F.D., dated 22-10-1949.

The Director of Harijan Welfare is informed that Hon'ble Minister (Rural Development) has decided that the first meeting of the Backward Classes Advisory Committee should be held in the committee room Fort St. George on the 14th of November 1949, at 5-15 P.M., (which falls during the period, when the Legislature is in Session) The Director of Harijan Welfare is requested to give notice to the members concerned. Action is being taken to reserve the Committee room for the purpose.

Assistant Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Harijan Welfare, Madras.

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SUPERINTENDENT.

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Copy of letter No.10114/49 dated 9-11-1949 from the Honorary Director of Harijan Welfare, Madras to the Secretary to Government, Firka Development Department, Fort St. George, M a d r a s.

Sub:- Harijan Welfare Department - Education - Backward Classes Advisory Committee - Meeting.
Ref:- Government Memorandum No.48425-F.D.IV/49-1 dated 5-11-49.

I submit herewith for your information a copy of the letter sent to all members of the Backward Classes Advisory Committee requesting them to attend the first meeting of the Committee to be held on 14-11-1949. The agenda for the meeting will be as detailed in the letter.

Sd. x x x
for Director of Harijan Welfare.

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hch.22/5. SUPERINTENDENT.

Copy of letter No.K.10114/49 dated 7-11-1949 from the Director of Harijan Welfare, Madras to the Members, Backward Classes Advisory Committee.

Sub:- Harijan Welfare Department - Education- Backward Classes Advisory Committee - Meeting.

Ref:- Government Memorandum No.48425 -F.D.IV/49-1 dated 5-11-1949.

The first meeting of the Backward Classes Advisory Committee will be held in the Committee Room I, Fort St. George, on the 14th of November 1949 at 5-15 P.M.(which falls during the period, when the Legislature is in session). I request you to attend the meeting.

There will be a general discussion about the functions of the Committee and procedure to be adopted.

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The Director of Harijan Welfare will explain the ameliorative reliefs provided by the Government for the benefit of the Backward Classes.

Suggestions, it any, from members will also be received and discussed.

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Sd. x x x
for Director of Harijan Welfare.

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Copy of Letter K.10114/49 dated 10-11-1949 from the Honorary Director of Harijan Welfare, Madras to the Secretary to Government, Firka Development Department, Fort St. George, M a d r a s.

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Sub:- Harijan Welfare Department - Backward Classes - First Advisory Committee meeting - Resolutions to be moved.
Ref:- My letter No.K.10114/49 dated 9-11-1949. Letter from Sri L.S.Karayalar, M.L.A,,dated 9-11-1949.

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In continuace of my letter cited above, I submit herewith for the information of Government a copy of the letter from Sri L.S.Karayalar M.L.A., containing certain resolutions he intends to more at the first meeting of the Backward Classes Advisory Committee to be held on 14-11-1949.

Sd. X X x
for Director of Harijan Welfare.

/True copy/

Copy of letter dated 9-11-1949 from Sri L.S.Karayalar, M.L.A., Kilpauk, Madras-10 to the Honorary Director of Harijan Welfare, Madras.

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I give notice of the following resolutions which I intend moving at the next meeting of the Backward Classes Advisory Committee:—

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(1) Resolved to request the Governmentto revise the communal G.O. allotting 50 per cent of the seats to the Backward Classes which is in accordance to their population in this province.

(2) Resolved to request the Government to set apart two Crores of Rupees in the Budget for 1950-51 for the amelioration and upliftment of the Backward Classes.

(3) Resolved that the Government be requested to grant residential scholarships to all the poor Backward Class students in the Engineering, Medical and other Professional Colleges.

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Sd. x x x

for Director of Harijan Welfare.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Firka Development Department.

U.O.Note No. 49984 F.D.IV/49-1, dated 15-11-1949.

Sub:- Harijan Welfare - Backward Classes Advisory Committee - First Meeting.

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The Backward Classes Advisory Committee will resume its sitting today at 12-30 p.m. at the Committee Room, Fort St. George. The Secretariat of the Madras Legislature may be requested to place the Committee Room at the disposal of this Department to-day also.

Assistant Secretary to Government.

To The Secretariat of the Madras Legislature.

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SUPERINTENDENT.

Copy of Letter No.K.10114/49 dated 12th November 1949 from the Honarary Director of Harijan Welfare, Egmore, Madras to the Secretary to Government, Firka Development Department, Fort St. George, M a d r a s.

Sub:- Harijan Welfare Department - Education - Backward Classes Advisory Committee Meeting - Agenda.

Ref:- Government Memo.No.48425, F.D.IV/49-4, dated 10-11-1949.

With reference to the memo cited, I submit herewith 3 copies of the notes on the first item in the agenda sent with my letter No.K.11014/49, dated 7-11-1949.

No note can be prepared on the second item as the discussion will arise out of suggestions to be made by members, which cannot be anticipated.

Sd. x x x
for Director of Harijan Welfare.

/True copy/

Submitted for favour of perusal.
The main file has been submitted to Secretary separately, with copies of resolutions given notice of by Sri S.Karayalar, M.L.A. and Sri A.Subramainam, M.L.A., The meeting is scheduled to take place today at 5-15 p.m. in the committee Room, Fort St. George. Two copies of the notes received are placed below:

In February 1948 the Government proposed to make a provision of Rs. 1 lakh (non-recurring) in the budget for 1948-49 for expenditure on the amelioration of the condition of the Backward Classes as distinct from the Harijans and requested the Commissioner of Labour to submit proposals for the utilisation of the amount. The Commissioner of Labour suggested to Government in consultation with the Director of Public Instruction, Madras that the one lakh of rupees provided in the budget estimate for 1948-49 might be utilised in granting scholarships and boarding grants to the pupils of the Backward Classes and that in sanctioning the scholarships and boarding grants, the same rules as those applicable to the grant of scholarships and boarding grants by the Labour department to students of the Eligible Communities might be followed. It was suggested to an informal conference attended by some of the M.L.As., the then Hon'ble Minister (Rural ~~Welfare~~ Development) and the Commissioner of Labour under the presidentship of Hon'ble Minister(Finance) that a Standing Advisory Committee with 15 members of whom not less than 6 shall be members of the Legislature should be constituted for devising ways and means to spend the amount of one lakh during 1948-49 and that 75% of the amount should be granted as scholarships to students reading in Professional Colleges including Law and the balance to students in the High Schools. Women students were to have preference. The Government passed orders approving the above proposals in G.O.No.Ms.867 Firka Development dated 10-12-1948.

2. Prior to the year 1948-49, Backward Classes students were not eligible for scholarships from the Labour Department. The Commissioner of Labour granted scholarships for the first time in 1948-49 to students belonging to the Backward Classes as shown below:-

PROFESSIONAL COURSES.

Residential.	Number of Scholarships sanctioned.	Amount in Rupees.	Non-residential number of scholarships sanctioned.	Amount Sanctioned.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Engineering IV Year	1	615-0-0		
Engineering III "	7	4,305-0-0	2	510-0-0
-do- II "	7	4,065-0-0	—	—
-do- I "	21	12,825-0-0	4	660-0-0
Licentiate. (L.C.E. / L.M.E. / L.E.E.)	5	2,817-4-0	—	—
M.B.B.S. V "	1	585-0-0	2	336-0-0
-do- IV "	-	-	-	-
-do- III "	3	2,019-0-0	3	684-0-0
-do- II "	3	2,439-0-0	1	108-0-0
-do- I "	7	4,863-0-0	-	-
-do- Pre-Registration	1	331-0-0	-	-
Law (B.L.)	5	3,585-0-0	1	193-0-0
Law (P.L.)	6	4, 176-0-0	4	684-0-0
B.T.Course	2	925-8-0	1	57-12-0
Physical Education. (Lwer Grade).	3	1,200-0-0	-	-
B.Sc.Agricultural.	7	2,520-0-0	-	-
Total.	79	47,270-12-0	18	3,232-12-0

ARTS COLLEGES.

	Residential.		Non-residential.	
Class.	Number of scholarships Sanctioned.	Amount granted.	Number of scholarships Sanctioned.	Amount granted.
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
M.A.	1	543-0-0	—	—
B.A.(Hons.)	6	3,825-0-0	4	450-0-0

P.T.O.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
B.Sc.(Hons.)	5	2,641-8-0	1	99-0-0
B.Sc.(Junior)	2	1,296-0-0	3	315-0-0
B.Com.	5	3,114-0-0	4	441-0-0
B.A.(Senior)	1	639.0.0	4.	396.0.0.
B.A.(Junior)	2	864-0-0	8	864-0-0
Intermediate Senior.	10	4,725-0-0	39	2,979-0-0
-do-(Junior)	17	7,972-0-0	50	4,131-0-0
Total.	49	25,619-8-0	113	9,675-0-0

HIGH SCHOOLS.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
IV form to VI form.	12	2,795-0-0	—	—
I form to VI form.	—	—	336	11,393-0-0
Total.	12	2,795-0-0	336	11,393-0-0

Abstract.	Number of Scholarships.	Amount involved.
Professional.	97	50,503-8-0
Arts.	162	35,294-8-0
High Sch ools.	348	14,188-0-0
Total.	607	99,986-0-0

3. Converts to Christianity and other religions and students of Elementary Schools were not granted these scholarships.

4. The Government have set apart a sum of Rs.5 lakhs for the benefit of students belonging to the Backward Classes during 1949-50. The distribution of the amount was ordered to be made as shown below:-

1. Renewal of shholarships granted during 1948-49.	90,000.
2. Fresh scholarships granted for professional & Arts Colleges.	1,00,000.
3. -do- in Secondary schools	50,000.
4. Scholarships for Industrial Education.	5,000
5. Other professional courses	33,000
6. Scholarships in Madras Seva Sadan	1,500.
7. Exemption from payment of examination fees.	7,500.

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8.	Non-recurring agrantes for the purchase of books and clothing for pupils other than those in Labour schools and pupils undergoing Teachers' training in Training Schools.	6,000.
9.	Lumpsum boarding grants.	1,33,000
10.	Discretionary grants.	3,000
11.	Midday meals in labour schools	50,000
12.	Supply of books, salates in ~~lower~~labourschools	21,000
	Total.	5,00,000.

The work of disbursing the amounts detailed above is in progress and is expected to be completed before the end of the year.

Sd. x x x

for Director of Harijan Welfare.

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SUPERINTENDENT.

Agenda for the Provincial Advisory Committee for Backward Classes to be held on 14-11-1949.

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1. Director's Statement.

2. List of resolutions:-

(a) By Sri S.Karavalar, M.L.A.

1. Resolved to request the Government to revise the communal Government Order allotting 50% of the seats to the Backward Classes which is in accordance with their population in this Province.

2. Resolved to request the Government to set apart two crores of ruppes in the budget for 1950-51 for the amelioration and Uplift of the Backward Classes;

3. Resolved that the Government be requested to grant residential scholarships to all the poor Backward Class students in the Engineering, Medical andother professional Colleges.

(b) By Sri. A.Subramaniam, M.L.A.

4. The Committee recommends to the Government that in view of the fact that the population of the Bacwkard Classes is more than 50% at least one-third of the members of the Cabinet be form among the Backward Classes;

5. This Comittee notes with regret the decision of the Government to withdraw the concession to Women students of the Backward Classes in the Medical Colleges and requests the Government to restore the concessions.

for
Secretary, Provincial Advisory
Committee for Backward Classes.

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Firka Development Dept.

Letter No.57725 F.D.IV/49-1, dated 20-1-1950.

To

Sri M.Ramachander,
Dist. And Sessions Judge (Retd.),
"Dilkush", Attavar, Mangalore.

Sir,

Sub:- Harijan Welfare Dept. - Backward Classes Advisory Committee.
Ref:- My letter No.47521 F.D.IV/49-1 dated 5-12-1949.

I am directed to state that the Backward Classes Advisory Committee constituted in G.O.Ms.No.969 F.D. dated 22-10-1949 is for advising the Government on all matters relating to the amelioration of the conditions of the Backward Classes and not merely in respect of the grant of scholarships etc.

Yours faithfully,

Sd. x x x

To the D.H.W.,Madras.

/True copy/

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Firka Development Department.

SUMMARISING NOTE.

The Government provided a sum of Rs.10/- lakh during 1948-49, and an increased sum of Rs.5/- lakhs during 1949-50 for the amelioration of the conditions of the Backward Classes. A standing Advisory Committee consisting of 16 members, with H.M.(R.D.) as the Chairman and the D.H.W. as Secretary of the Committee was consistituted in G.O.No.969 F.D., dated 22-10-49. The functions of the Committee, as explained in the preliminary para of the G.O. are that, that the Committee has been constituted to advise the Government on matters relating to the amelioration of the conditions of the Backward Classes.

The first meeting of the Backward classes Advisory Committee was convened on 14th and 15th of November 1949. The Secretary of the Committee (the D.H.W.) circulated a note with an Agenda among the members of the Committee.

Sri M.Ramachander, one of the members of the Committee, has raised the following point:-

> "Is the nature and scope of the said Committee restricted to advise on the grant of scholarships etc. or does it extend to other matters relating to the amelioration of the condition of these classes"?

Apparently this doubt was raised by the member, with reference to the note referred to above circulated to the members of the Committee by the D.H.W. The portion of the note referred to above is reporoduced below:

> "It was suggested at an informal conference attended by some of the M.L.As. the then Hon'ble Minister (Rural Development and the Commissioner of Labour under the Presidentship of Hon'ble Minister (Finance) that a standing Advisory Committee with 15 members of whom not less than 6 shall be mebers of the Legislature should be constituted for devising ways and means to spend the amount of one lakh during 1948-49 and that 75% of the amount should be granted as scholarships to students reading in Professional Colleges including Law and the balance to students in the High Schools".

This note was written with reference to the state of affairs which existed in September 1948. It is not however clear on what basis Sri Ramachander entertained a doubt, and raised the query. Anyhow it is clear that the Advisory Committee, constituted in G.O.Ms.No.969 F.D., dated 22-10-1949 is to advise Government on all matters relating to the amelioration of the conditions of the Backward Classes. Otherwise there will be no need for a Standing Advisory Committee at all. This Committee is similar to the Harijan Welfare Committee constituted to advice Government on all matters relating to the amelioration of the conditions of the

Harijans, and it has to meet as often as may be necessary. It has also been ascertained that the views of the Director of Harijan Welfare are also as set out above. The case may be circulated to H.M.(R.D.) for orders whether the view set out at 'A' on pp.5-6 above may be taken as correct, and whether the member may be informed accordingly. A above represents the correct position.

Please see the orders in circulation above. with reference to the orders of Secretary at page 4 ante a draft letter to Sri M.Ramachander is submitted for approval.

(Issued as Letter No.57725IV/49-1 dated 20-1-50).

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SUPERINTENDENT.

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compared by

1. V. Ramadoss 25/5

2. M.R.Sarma 25/5

Recorded.

MS.-Go. no. 21. dt. 6.1.50.

Sub: Committees - Backward Class Advisory Committee - First Meeting - Papers Recorded.